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'Mother Always Wanted Me to Stick It to the Man'

Authorities say a Washington state woman suspected of pension fraud was arrested when she tried to open a bank account in her dead mother's name while disguised as her mother. Loewen Craft was wearing a gray wig and makeup to make her look older when she arrived last week at a bank in Ferndale, Wash. Police allege Craft had collected more than \$145,000 in pension benefits since her mother died in 2007. (AP)

Boxed-Wine Shelf Didn't Look as Fun



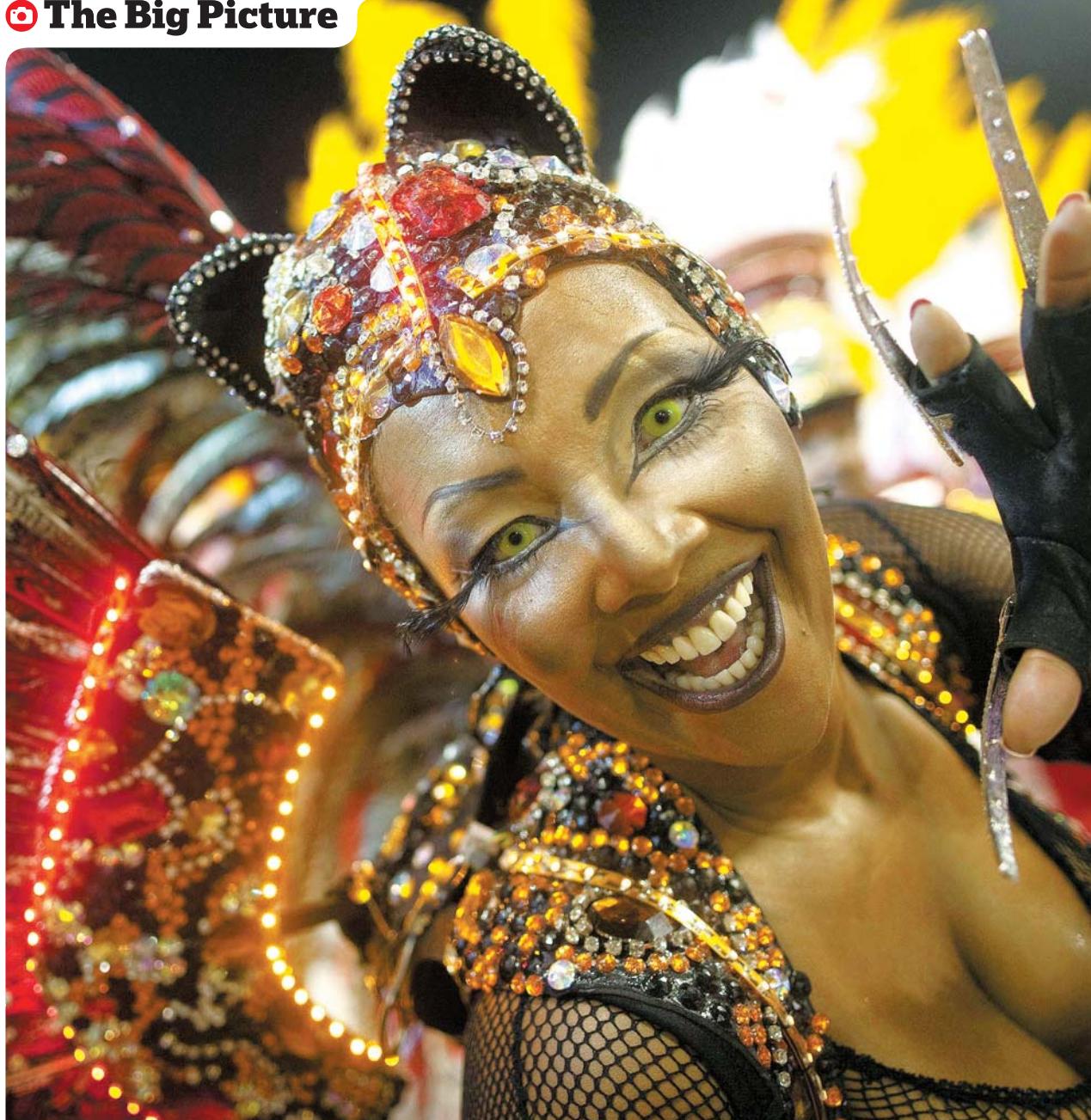
Police say a woman at a suburban New York liquor store swept her arm through a shelf of high-priced booze Feb. 23, smashing \$1,600 worth onto the floor because she felt a clerk was taking too long to wait on her. The owner's son says the damage included bottles of pricey Johnnie Walker Blue Label scotch. The woman has turned herself in, police said Friday. She is due in court March 16 but has not been charged. (AP)

Getaway Vehicle Selection Not Taught at Thief School

A car theft suspect who took off on foot in Salem, Ore., was able to flag down a motorist for a ride Thursday. The only problem: The driver was an undercover police officer who was looking for the suspect. When the suspect knocked on the window of the unmarked car and asked for a ride, he got one — straight to jail. (AP)

The Big Picture

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A SAMBA DANCER performs during the Tom Major samba school's Carnival parade in Sao Paulo, Brazil, on Saturday. A samba school is a dancing club; many stage their own parades. Carnival runs through Tuesday. (AP)

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THIS WEEK**Loughner Appearance**

Jared Lee Loughner—the suspect facing 49 charges in the Jan. 8 shooting spree in Tucson, Ariz., that gravely wounded Rep. Gabrielle Giffords—is expected to be arraigned Wednesday.

Discovery Returns

The space shuttle Discovery, the most-traveled rocket ship ever, will be retired after a final return to Earth, slated for Wednesday. The shuttle will have completed 39 missions.

NFL, Union Deadline

The NFL and the players' union last week agreed to extend the deadline till Friday to reach an agreement in their ongoing labor dispute, which is threatening the upcoming season.

House panel seeking to focus on ways to address radicalization

Sterling, Va.

The White House on Sunday praised American Muslims for helping fight violent extremism, but a House leader on terrorism issues said they aren't cooperating enough with law enforcement to counter the radicalization of young followers by al-Qaeda-linked groups.

Deputy National Security Adviser Denis McDonough, speaking at an interfaith forum at a mosque, commended its members for taking "an unequivocal stand against terrorism."

Rep. Peter King, chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, re-asserted warnings about al-Qaeda terrorists targeting Muslim youth in the U.S., previewing his committee's hearing scheduled for Thursday.

"The overwhelming majority of Muslims are outstanding Americans, but at this stage in our history, there's an effort ... to radicalize elements within the Muslim community," he said in an interview broadcast Sunday.

The Obama administration has



King



"There's always going to be isolated incidents, isolated fanatics, isolated terrorists, even. But an organized terrorist effort ... is different."

—REP. PETER KING, R-N.Y., SPEAKING IN AN INTERVIEW SUNDAY ON CNN ABOUT WHY HE FEELS AN INVESTIGATION INTO ISLAMIC EXTREMISM IN THE U.S. IS NECESSARY.

tried to strike a balance on the thorny issue, working to go after homegrown Islamic extremists without appearing to be at war with the Muslim world.

At the same time, however, militant Islamic propaganda has factored into recent terrorist attacks and foiled attempts in this country.

Maj. Nidal Hasan, the suspect in the 2009 shooting rampage that killed 13 at Fort Hood, Texas, is believed to have been inspired by violent Islamic extremists, as was Faisal Shahzad, who pleaded guilty in the attempted car bombing in New York's Times Square.

Obama has pledged a new beginning in the U.S. relationship with the Muslim world. Others, however, say the administration should more directly identify Islamic extremism as a root cause of terrorism. (AP)

**A Point of Contention**

Rep. Keith Ellison, D-Minn., the first Muslim elected to the House, said that while it's proper to investigate radicalization, he thinks it is wrong to single out a religion. "I don't want them to be able to stand up and claim ... 'See, we told you, America is at war with Islam,'" he said Sunday on CNN's "State of the Union." Congress needs to be careful in addressing the issue, he said, and it's important to engage Muslims, not frighten them. (AP)

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Less-Invasive Down Syndrome Test Possible

Mother's blood test may provide simpler detection, study says

New York

Scientists in Europe report they were able to diagnose Down syndrome prenatally by giving a simple blood test to pregnant women, an approach that might one day help doctors avoid the more extensive procedure used now to detect the condition.

The preliminary report published online Sunday in the journal *Nature Medicine* is the latest of several recent studies that suggest scientists can spot Down syndrome through fetal DNA that has been shed into the mother's bloodstream.

Down syndrome, which results in cognitive delays, is caused by having an extra copy of a particular chromosome. Currently, pregnant women get blood tests and an ultrasound to find out whether

the fetus is at risk for Down syndrome. For a firm diagnosis, doctors take a sample of amniotic fluid or a sample of the placenta.

Those sampling procedures involve a small risk of miscarriage. A reliable diagnostic blood test also could give an answer earlier than the standard tests.

Several research teams have published studies suggesting that analyzing the mother's blood can detect Down syndrome in a fetus.

There's no commercial test available yet, but at least one company hopes to introduce one in the United States within about a year.

In the latest report, scientists in Cyprus, Greece and England said that in a blind test, they correctly identified 14 Down syndrome cases and 26 normal fetuses.

They said a bigger study is needed to confirm the usefulness of their approach. (AP)

Hearsay

"Just a friendly reminder: Before closing the hatch tonight, make sure everything and everybody is on the correct side!!!!!"

— A MESSAGE SENT SUNDAY FROM MISSION CONTROL TO THE CREW OF THE SPACE SHUTTLE DISCOVERY, WHICH DOCKED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION LAST WEEK. DISCOVERY IS SCHEDULED TO UNDOCK MONDAY AND RETURN HOME ON WEDNESDAY.



Feeling Sap-Happy: Sugar makers in the Northeast are testing a 35-cent gadget developed by maple researchers at the University of Vermont that may extend the six-week sugaring season. When plugged into tap holes, the adapters reduce sap backflow. That, in turn, limits the microorganisms that can end sap flow if they get back in the tree. Sugar makers in Maine, New Hampshire and New York tried the device for the first time in 2010. (AP)

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Ryan Lee is a native of Tennessee and joins the LA Boxing team by way of Florida.

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Protest Standoff Continues in Madison



PROTESTERS MARCH ON at the state Capitol in Madison, Wis., on Sunday in opposition to plans to curtail collective bargaining for most public workers. About 700 supporters of the legislation also held a rally in Madison.

Spring Floods Looming

Snowy winter leaves heartland, Northeast bracing for big thaw

Traverse City, Mich.

As a winter that has pelted much of the nation with unusually heavy snowfall slogs toward its end, heartland communities are readying sandbags and patience for what could be a flood-soaked spring.

Minnesota and the Dakotas — no strangers to overflows during the annual thaw — are all but certain to be inundated again, the National Weather Service says. But

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The number of sandbags that Fargo, N.D., hopes to have on hand in case of flooding this spring. Residents are already filling them. (AP)

this winter's snowy barrage has enlarged the danger zone in the nation's midsection, with prospects for flooding rated high or above average in river basins from northern Montana to St. Louis.

The lower Great Lakes could be another trouble spot. Melting snow and rain threatened flooding in all 88 of Ohio's counties last week.

Parts of New England are also at an elevated flood risk.

In the South, where snow wreaked havoc on the Super Bowl in Texas and gave Atlanta its first white Christmas in decades, it has melted easily into ground parched by prolonged drought.

"We like to get snow because it recharges our soil moisture, but it just doesn't last long," said Gary McManus, associate state climatologist in Oklahoma, where February storms dumped more than 2 feet of snow, including a record 27 inches in Spavinaw, Okla., in a single day — but it was the equivalent of just 1.2 inches of rain. (AP)

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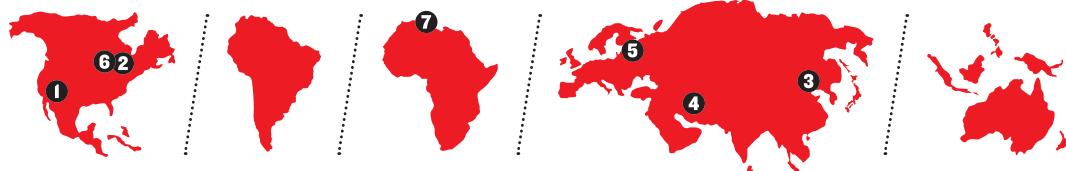
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Weekend Review



1 PHOENIX

Giffords Attack Suspect Faces Dozens of Charges



The suspect in the attempted assassination of Rep. Gabrielle Giffords was hit Friday with dozens of charges as federal prosecutors accused him of killing six people and wounding 13 during a Jan. 8 Tucson rampage. Jared Lee Loughner was charged in a 49-count indictment. (AP)

2 FENNVILLE, MICH.

Enlarged Heart Caused Basketball Star's Death

A Michigan high school's basketball star died Thursday after his game-winning layup in overtime to cap his team's perfect season. An autopsy Friday showed Wes Leonard, 16, died of cardiac arrest due to an enlarged heart. (AP)

3 "The vast majority of the people are strongly dissatisfied [with the protests], so ... the minority becomes a self-delusional ruckus."

— AN EDITORIAL SATURDAY IN THE BEIJING DAILY DECRYING THE MIDEAST UNREST.

4 KHUSHPUR, PAKISTAN

Slain Christian Official Buried in Pakistan

Pakistanis mourned and church leaders warned the country was bowing to extremism Friday as they buried Shahbaz Bhatti, a Christian official slain Wednesday for opposing blasphemy laws. He is the second Pakistani politician killed in two months over the matter. (AP)



5 Ending Winter With Flair

A man clutches a burning decoration during celebrations Sunday in St. Petersburg, Russia, marking the beginning of Maslenitsa, or Pancake Week, a holiday with pagan roots that marks the end of winter and, for Orthodox Christians, the approaching Lenten season.



6 MADISON, WIS.

Filmmaker Moore Urges Protesters to Fight On

Liberal filmmaker Michael Moore on Saturday urged Wisconsin residents to fight against Republican efforts to strip most public workers of their collective bargaining rights, telling thousands of cheering protesters that "Madison is only the beginning." (AP)

2,342

7 The number of people arrested since Feb. 1 in Tunisia, according to a statement Saturday by its Interior Ministry. More than 9,000 inmates fled prisons in the unrest, though the ministry didn't say how many arrested were escapees. (AP)



BEN CURTIS/AP

The children of a soldier hold his guns as a pro-Gadhafi crowd gathers to celebrate in Green Square in Tripoli, Libya, on Sunday.

Libya Slides Toward War

Pro-Gadhafi troops escalate retaliation with heavy artillery

Bin Jawad, Libya

Forces loyal to Moammar Gadhafi, some in helicopter gunships, pounded opposition fighters with artillery, rockets and gunfire Sunday, dramatically escalating their counteroffensive to halt the rebels' rapid advance toward the capital.

Residents said pro-Gadhafi troops punched into the city of Misrata, 120 miles east of Tripoli, the capital, with mortars and tanks but were pushed out five hours later by

Evacuations

Workers Flee

Nearly 50 Bangladeshi migrant workers evacuated by sea from Libya to the Greek island of Crete jumped ship during the night, apparently to avoid being sent back to Bangladesh, Greek authorities said Sunday. Three died, 11 remained missing, and many others were hospitalized. Nearly a dozen Greek coast guard and other vessels were scouring the waters off the coast of Crete in search of the missing. (AP)

rebel forces. The rebel commanders intentionally opened the way for government tanks to enter the city, then surrounded them and attacked with anti-aircraft guns and mortars, said Abdel Fatah al-Misrahi, one of the rebels.

"Our spirits are high," al-Misrahi said. "The regime is struggling, and what is happening is a desperate attempt to survive and crush

"My heartfelt thoughts go out to Libya, where recent clashes have caused many deaths and a growing humanitarian crisis."

— POPE BENEDICT XVI, LAMENTING SUNDAY ABOUT THE ONGOING CRISIS IN LIBYA

the opposition. But the rebels are in control of the city."

As fighting across Libya grew more fierce, the international community appeared to be struggling to put military muscle behind its demands for Gadhafi to give up power. Sunday's fighting appeared to signal the start of a new phase in

200K

The minimum estimated number of people who have fled Libya since the uprisings began Feb. 15—most of them foreign workers. Hundreds, if not thousands, have died. (AP)

the conflict, with Gadhafi's regime unleashing its air power on the rebel force trying to oust the ruler of 41 years. Resorting to heavy use of air attacks signaled the regime's concern that it needed to check the advance of the rebel force toward the city of Sirte — Gadhafi's hometown and stronghold.

Libya appears to be sliding toward a civil war that could drag out for weeks or even months. Both sides seem to be relatively weak and poorly trained, though Gadhafi's forces have the advantage in numbers and equipment.

If the rebels continue to advance, even slowly, Gadhafi's heavy dependence on air power could prompt the West to try to hurriedly enforce a no-fly zone over the country. The U.N. has already imposed sanctions against Libya, and the U.S.

In Brief



FRANCOIS GUILLOT/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

A model wears a John Galliano creation during his fashion show Sunday in Paris.

PARIS

Show Goes on Without Designer Galliano in Paris

In the fashion world, as in showbiz, the show must go on, and so it did at disgraced former Dior designer John Galliano's signature label — though in an admittedly scaled-back form. Dior fired Galliano last week amid allegations he made anti-Semitic comments, throwing the fate of the designer's eponymous brand into doubt. Galliano, who's rumored to be in rehab in Arizona, didn't attend Sunday's presentation. (AP)

ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST

Police, Gangs Ransack Houses in Ivory Coast

Gangs of young people, actively aided by uniformed police, ransacked at least

10 houses in Abidjan belonging to officials allied with the internationally recognized president of Ivory Coast, as heavy fighting broke out in the country's west. Gbagbo

Security forces loyal to incumbent leader Laurent Gbagbo have turned to increasingly criminal behavior. (AP)

CAIRO

New Egypt PM Names Most of New Cabinet

Egypt's prime minister-designate named a caretaker Cabinet on Sunday to help lead the country toward free elections. The changes include new faces in the key foreign, interior and justice ministries — a decision expected to be met with the approval of the pro-reform groups. (AP)

Japan Foreign Minister Quits Over Accepting an Illegal Donation

Tokyo

Japan's foreign minister suddenly quit Sunday for having accepted a political donation from a foreigner — a violation of Japanese law — dealing another blow to the embattled administration of Prime Minister Naoto Kan.

Seiji Maehara, 48, was foreign minister for just six months and acknowledged receiving a total of \$3,000 over the past several years from a 72-year-old Korean woman who has lived most of her life in Japan.

Japanese law makes it very hard for foreigners to become citizens,

even if their families have lived in the country for generations. And Japan's political funding law prohibits lawmakers from accepting donations from any foreigners, even those born in Japan.

Maehara's resignation Sunday night furthers the high turnover that has plagued government offi-

cials in recent years and is likely to further erode public confidence in Kan, whose public approval rating has fallen below 20 percent.

"I apologize to the people ... for causing distrust due to a politics-and-money problem despite my pledge to seek clean politics," Maehara said, bowing. (AP)

World

Beijing Hinders Foreign Media

China's capital limits journalists' reporting to prevent protests

Beijing

China's capital further tightened restrictions on reporting by foreign journalists on Sunday, the latest sign of the government's determination to prevent the formation of a Middle East-style protest movement.

The requirement to obtain government permission before any newsgathering in the city center is the latest sign of official jitters sparked by Internet calls for popular protests each Sunday similar to those that have toppled authoritarian leaders in Egypt and Tunisia, and continue to roil North Africa and the Middle East.

Despite three decades of economic liberalization and the withdrawal of communist control over many parts of China's increasingly

prosperous and diverse society, the one-party state routinely harasses and imprisons its critics.

On the third Sunday since the anonymous Internet postings first appeared, no apparent demonstrations occurred in Beijing or Shanghai, though the designated sites drew onlookers and heavy security. In Shanghai, police detained at least 17 foreign reporters for showing up at the protest site, People's Square, because they did not have prior permission to be there. (AP)



Prince Andrew, right, is under fire after recent revelations of questionable contacts.

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Royals Attempt Damage Control

Prince Andrew faces series of missteps as royal wedding nears

London

Less than two months before a fairytale wedding anticipated by much of the world, Britain's royal family finds itself fighting an inconvenient distraction: revelations that Prince Andrew, the queen's second son, is friends with a convicted sex offender, was photographed with a teenage prostitute and has been accused of ties to Moammar Gadhafi's Libyan regime.

The Duke of York also hosted the son of the Tunisian dictator shortly before a popular uprising drove him from power — and the buildup of embarrassment has sparked calls that he be stripped of his role as special U.K. trade representative.

Buckingham Palace is in damage-control mode as it attempts to keep the public's focus on the April 29 wedding between Prince William and tabloid favorite Kate Middleton, his college sweetheart.

Support for Andrew

British officials have rallied to Prince Andrew's defense. The foreign secretary expressed his "confidence" in Andrew on Sunday, and a U.K. trade official voiced support for the prince to remain in the position, saying Sunday he does a "very valuable job." But pressure is mounting, and there is growing speculation over how long Andrew can hang on to his post. (AP)

The latest revelations in the British media have centered on Andrew's friendship with convicted pedophile Jeffrey Epstein and claims that Andrew also had close ties to Seif al-Islam Gadhafi, one of the Libyan leader's sons.

"The duke recognizes that his association with Jeffrey Epstein was, in retrospect, unwise," said a person familiar with the matter.

Buckingham Palace on Sunday said Andrew's interactions with the Gadhafi regime — and Tunisia's ousted dictatorship, too — fell within the mandate of his job as special trade representative. (AP)

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If you search #wmata or #dcmetro on Twitter, you'll see that practically every mention of the system is a complaint of some kind. There are slams about signage, unruly passengers, single tracking, delays and, of course, escalators. And whenever Metro has a meltdown — as it did Feb. 25 after the wind tossed a utility pole into a train, disrupting Friday evening rush hour — you can bet an army of folks will whip out their phones to kvetch up a storm.

But amid all this negative energy is



By Vicky Hallett

a new Twitter account: @wmataaplusside. "Preaching the positives of WMATA, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If showering complaints doesn't work, perhaps praise will," reads the bio for "Metro's Advocate." Since the feed launched about a month ago, it's served up messages about how great it is not to worry about gas prices and why weath-



er-related fiascos aren't WMATA's fault; and retweets from the handful of people who say something nice about their daily commutes.

One might suspect the account's owner to be a WMATA employee. But Metro only recently figured out how to handle its own Twitter feed. For a while, @metropopensdoors seemed to be run by a robot that didn't understand the 140-character limit, which led to amusingly truncated entries. Unsuckdcmetro's blog used to invite readers to "Complete the Tweet." ("No Line: Due to mechanical difficulties, all the station's entrance escalators are out of service. The street elevator is operational. Shut")

That makes the insider theory less believable. And it makes me happy to imagine a devoted rider combing through the sea of gripes and grousing to find that elusive silver lining.

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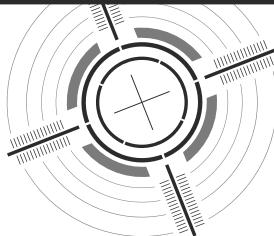


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Local

Gray Admits to Missteps

Mayor denies charge of quid-pro-quo deal, calls for investigation

Washington

D.C. Mayor Vincent C. Gray says he wants the District's attorney general's office and the D.C. Council to review allegations by former mayoral candidate Sulaimon Brown that he made a deal with two Gray campaign aides to continue attacks on incumbent Adrian M. Fenty in exchange for a city job if Gray won.

During a news conference Sunday, Gray called a story in The Washington Post detailing the allegations "surprising, shocking



Brown

Gray

and appalling." "I can't even imagine engaging in such reprehensible behavior," Gray said. Sulaimon Brown, the mayor added, "was not a surrogate for our campaign. ... I cannot tell you that any more directly."

Brown, who was recently dismissed from his \$110,000-a-year position with the D.C. Department of Health Care Finance, also alleges that two Gray campaign aides gave

him a series of cash payments to help finance his campaign. The Post could not independently verify any payments.

Gray has adamantly denied Brown's allegations, saying the campaigns did not work in tandem. He said he agreed only to get a job interview for Brown, but not in return for attacks on Fenty.

Answering a reporter's question about his reputation, he said, "I am a person of integrity."

"If I had to look back at this situation now ... I'd take a different tack," said Gray, when asked how Brown ended up with a job in health care finance. "I want to move on with the business of the city." MIKE DEBONIS
(THE WASHINGTON POST)

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MARVIN JOSEPH/TWP

GRACE BELLEW-CONNOR, 11, TALKS WITH her adopted parents —Joe, left, and Tim Connor—in their Towson, Md., home on March 1. The two men are part of a wave of residents who lobbied delegates through socializing to push for the state's same-sex marriage bill. | postlocal.com



Garden Party: "Get Up and Go!" The White House says that's the theme of this year's Easter Egg Roll, set for April 25. The event will feature music, sports, cooking stations, story times and the rolling of hard-boiled eggs on the South Lawn. The activities are designed to complement first lady Michelle Obama's national campaign against childhood obesity by promoting health and wellness. (AP)

In Brief

HAMILTON, VA.

Va. Firefighter Accused Of Fire Truck Joyride

The Loudoun County Sheriff's office says a volunteer firefighter is facing drunken-driving charges after a joyride in a fire truck. The sheriff's office says 27-year-old Sean Richard Swanson, a volunteer at a Hamilton fire company, was arrested after taking a fire truck out late Friday night. The sheriff's office says four other volunteers in the county's fire-rescue system were also in the truck at the time. (AP)

ARLINGTON

Brawl Mars Regional Music Awards Ceremony

Arlington police say a brawl broke out during the DMV music awards ceremony, sending one person to a local hospital. Police say five people were treated Saturday night at the scene of the awards ceremony, which honors local rap, hip-hop and R&B performers. About 1,500 people attended the ceremony at the Crystal City Hyatt, and witnesses said more than 20 police vehicles responded to deal with a half dozen fights that broke out. (AP)

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The number of seats a new tennis stadium will hold on the SW waterfront. The facility will be home to the Washington Kastles. (TWP)

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A Return to the Unknown

Service members will be interred without ID due to Arlington's errors

Washington

When the remains of a Vietnam War soldier buried in the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery were identified in 1998 using DNA, Pentagon officials proudly said that the days of interring service members as "Unknown" could well be over.

But now, for the first time in decades, the cemetery has multiple "unknowns" to bury — and it has itself to blame.

Criminal investigators looking into how eight sets of cremated remains ended up crowding a single grave have concluded that three of them are unidentifiable — not because of the brutality of combat, but because of actions at the cemetery.

The discovery of the mass grave in October came on the heels of a damning report by the Army Inspector General last summer that revealed widespread problems at the nation's premier military burial ground: unmarked and mismarked graves; millions of dollars wasted in botched contracts to computerize its paper records; and at least four urns found in a pile of excess dirt.

The scandal led to the ouster of the cemetery's top two leaders and prompted legislation from Congress requiring the cemetery to account for every single one remains entombed at the nearly 150-year-old cemetery. But Kathryn Condon, the recently appointed director of the Army Cemeteries Program, said that it will take years to fully survey the cemetery, and they will probably never be able to account for every grave.



TWP

Eight Urns, One Grave

The grave, plot 5253 in Section 69, was supposed to hold only one set of remains, an urn that had been found by a cemetery worker in a dirt pile in 2002. It was buried as "Unknown" because cemetery officials could not determine to whom it belonged. The discovery of the urn and its subsequent burial was first reported by Salon.com in 2009.

In October, Army Cemeteries Program Director Kathryn Condon spoke with a contractor who in 2005 had found another discarded urn, which had a letter and a picture of a girl in a blue and white cheerleading uniform inside. He reported it to his supervisor at the time, who turned the urn over to cemetery officials.

Learning about the incident, Condon said she then "called in pertinent members of the staff to my office and said, 'Does anyone have any information they can fill me in on?'"

A ground crew member stepped forward, saying, "Ma'am, I know where there is a grave site where

there is more than one interred."

He led them to the grave in Section 69 where the urn found in 2002 had been buried as "Unknown."

As investigators starting digging through the grave by hand, they came across one set of cremated remains. Then they found another. When they found a third, Condon

"We may never know who those remains belonged to."

— CHRISTOPHER GREY, CID OFFICIAL

said she "looked at my attorney and said get CID" — the Army's Criminal Investigative Division.

After eight hours, they found eight sets of cremated remains. The original "Unknown" urn was recertified as unidentifiable and reburied in the Section 69 grave. Shortly after the discovery of the mass grave, investigators identified three of the other sets of remains. On Friday, Christopher Grey, a CID spokesman, said that the agency has determined that three more remains are unidentifiable. (TWP)

Increased Effort

As part of an ambitious effort, the cemetery is boosting its staff from 102 employees to 159, hiring additional funeral representatives, technology experts and ground crew members. It also is buying more burial and landscaping equipment.

To prevent burial mix-ups, there is a new chain of custody procedure that guides the handling of remains. The cemetery has also trained 16 employees as contracting representatives. The cemetery previously did not have anyone sufficiently trained.

'There Will Be Discrepancies'

Officials have begun creating a master database that eventually will

replace the flawed maps that have been used to chart the cemetery's 70 sections for decades. The cemetery has taken detailed aerial photographs, and plans to take pictures of the front and back of every headstone. Officials would then match the photos with the cemetery's burial records to find and then fix the

320K

The approximate number of remains entombed at the nearly 150-year-old Arlington National Cemetery, each of which must be re-accounted for. (TWP)

discrepancies that Condon said would inevitably emerge.

In its report, the Army Inspector General found 117 graves that were marked on cemetery maps as occupied but had no headstones and 94 others marked as vacant but had headstones. Since then, the cemetery has determined that all the plots with no headstones were vacant or obstructed by trees, she said. Burial records have shown that those with headstones were occupied by the right people, she said. A review of the records was definitive, she said, so there was no need to open the graves and take DNA samples, a step Army Secretary John McHugh has said would be considered.

As the cemetery works to account for every grave, Condon said it would find more problems: "There will be discrepancies." CHRISTIAN DAVENPORT (THE WASHINGTON POST)



"IT'S NOT REALLY POSSIBLE. ALL WE CAN DO IS ACCOUNT FOR THE RECORD KEEPING AND THE LOGS THAT WERE GIVEN IN THE CIVIL WAR."

— KATHRYN CONDON, THE NEWLY APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF THE ARMY CEMETERIES PROGRAM, ON THE EFFORT TO GET A FULL SURVEY OF EVERYONE BURIED AT ARLINGTON.

Money

Dinner, a Show and a Big Tax Deduction

Entertaining clients for business doesn't have to be complex

New York

Taking a customer to lunch, dinner or the theater is part of doing business. And often, fun. But company owners may find that claiming such entertainment expenses as income tax deductions is complicated and could be painful.

Many owners find out when they're compiling their income tax returns that they can't deduct the full amount of a meal or event. Maybe they can't deduct any of it.

IRS Publication 463, Travel, Entertainment, Gift and Car Expenses will give you a good grounding in deductions for entertainment expenses. And, as with any tax matters, it's always a good idea to consult a tax professional such as an accountant or an attorney to be sure you're following the rules. Here's an overview of what the IRS allows, and doesn't allow for business entertainment deductions.



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50%

The maximum amount of the deduction the IRS allows you to take under Publication 463, Travel, Entertainment, Gift and Car Expenses. Lavish expenses may not be fully covered, either.

Not Everything Is Tax-Deductible

If you took a client out for a \$300 dinner and consoled yourself with the idea that at least you got a big deduction, the truth is, you can claim only \$150 on your return. The tax code allows only 50 percent of an entertainment expense

to be deducted.

And if \$300 would be considered a lavish expense considering the line of work you're in and where your company is located, the IRS might limit how much of the check you can deduct. The amount the government allows will still be subject to the 50 percent rule.

Let's say the meal takes place during a business trip. While your airfare and hotel bill may be fully deductible, only half the restaurant check can be claimed.

The Real Reason To Entertain Clients

It's common for business associates to get together for dinner or a drink. But according to the IRS, the bills for these occasions can't be deducted.

In order to claim an entertainment deduction, the government requires that the main purpose of a dinner or other form of entertainment be "the active conduct of business." And an owner must have "more than a general expectation of getting income or some other specific business benefit at some future time."

Here's an exception: If the entertainment takes place before or after a business discussion, then you can deduct it. So let's say you make a presentation to a client and then go out to dinner and you don't discuss business during the meal. It's still deductible.

Take Me Out to the ...

If you take a customer to the theater or a baseball game, the same rules generally apply. But there can be exceptions, and that's why you need to read IRS Publication 463. For example, if the ticket is to an event that will benefit a charitable organization, then you can deduct the full amount. Many business owners will treat clients to a round of golf at the club they belong to. The fees they pay for a guest are deductible. But yearly or monthly membership dues for the club are not. (AP)

Keep Good Records

The government and tax professionals recommend that business owners keep a log or diary where they can enter their entertainment expenses. That's where you need to keep track of the business purpose of the meal or other event. If the expense is more than \$75, you also need restaurant checks, hotel bills and other receipts to document the amount you're claiming.

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An Unsweet 16

Mason's win streak is snapped by VCU in CAA semifinals

Mason Hoops

If any team was going to sour George Mason's sensational stretch of basketball, Virginia Commonwealth was the prime candidate.

The Rams continued their mastery of the Patriots in the Colonial Athletic Association tournament with a 79-63 semifinal victory Sunday at Richmond Coliseum, ending the nation's longest winning streak at 16 and forcing George Mason to wait a week for an expected NCAA at-large invitation.

"They basically had everything working for them."

PATRIOTS COACH JIM LARRANAGA, WHOSE SQUAD ALLOWED 11 3-POINTERS BY VCU ON SUNDAY — ONE SHY OF A CAA TOURNAMENT RECORD.

Known for their devastating spurts, the top-seeded Patriots (26-6) were the victims of a decisive one in the first half. The fourth-seeded Rams (23-10) made nine three-pointers before intermission, built a 14-point lead and then absorbed George Mason's brief rally to advance to Monday's championship game against No. 2 Old Dominion.

Jamie Skeen, a power forward whose buzzer-beater defeated Drexel a day earlier, hit four three-pointers and finished with 21 points. Bradford Burgess (16 points) made three threes as the Rams handed the Patriots their first loss since a visit to ODU two months ago.



SCOTT K. BROWN/WAP

Backstory

George Mason is far too familiar with losing to Virginia Commonwealth during the annual CAA tournament in Richmond. VCU ousted George Mason in the Colonial Athletic Association tournament for the third-consecutive year and for the fifth time in eight seasons. However, the Rams needed Sunday's game much more than did the top-seeded Patriots, who seem to have all but secured an NCAA berth with their bountiful regular-season performance. (AP)

"I don't know what happened to me," the 6-foot-9 Skeen said after making seven of 13 shots overall against the Patriots. "I never took six 3-pointers in one game in my life ... but I just felt like I could knock them down, and they were leaving me open."

The Patriots actually left a lot of people open. VCU made nine 3-pointers by halftime, including five in a 21-3 run late in the half that gave them a 39-25 lead at the break.

After a quick 8-1 burst by George Mason to start the half and get within 40-33, Skeen and Bradford Burgess hit 3's in an 11-4 burst that rebuilt the margin to 51-37, and it was over.

The Patriots (26-6) never got the lead into single digits in the final 16 minutes.

While VCU probably needs to win Monday's tournament final to reach the Big Dance, the Patriots can probably rest easy.

With an RPI in the mid-20s, they are expected to get an invitation to the NCAA tournament without the league's automatic berth.

That's of some relief to Cam Long, who led George Mason with 20 points. "I really don't want to go out like this," he said. (THE WASHINGTON POST/AP)

In Brief



Lakers guard Shannon Brown dunks in Sunday's 99-83 win over San Antonio.

PRO BASKETBALL

Lakers Trounce Spurs

What was billed as a potential Western Conference finals preview was a blowout from the start as Kobe Bryant scored 26 points, Pau Gasol had 21, and the Los Angeles Lakers embarrassed the NBA-best San Antonio Spurs for a seventh-straight victory, 99-83, on Sunday. (AP)

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Top-Ranked Ohio State Pummels Wisconsin

Jon Diebler lived up to his "3-blur" nickname on Sunday by hitting seven of eight shots behind the arc while scoring 27 points, leading top-ranked Ohio State to a 93-65 victory over No. 10 Wisconsin as the Buckeyes (29-2, 16-2 Big Ten) got back at the Badgers (23-7, 13-5) for a painful loss a month ago. (AP)

AUTO RACING

Edwards Clinches Win

Carl Edwards earned his first victory of the season Sunday by winning at Las Vegas Motor Speedway. Pit strategy helped Edwards edge Tony Stewart, who finished second. Juan Pablo Montoya finished third and was followed by Marcos Ambrose and Ryan Newman. (AP)

PRO BASEBALL

White Sox Lefty Thornton Agrees to \$15M Deal

White Sox lefty Matt Thornton agreed to a \$15 million, three-year contract Sunday that adds two years and \$12 million to his previous deal. Thornton, 34, went 5-4 with a 2.67 ERA and eight saves last season, and became the first White Sox reliever to lead the AL in strikeouts since Keith Foulke in 1999. (AP)



Full Speed Ahead: Lindsey Vonn's concussion may turn out to have been a blessing in disguise. Having skipped the second half of last month's world championships to recover, the Olympic downhill champion appears in top form for a tense finale of the World Cup circuit. After earning the super-combined and downhill titles, Vonn clinched her third discipline title in three days with a super-G victory Sunday to wrap up a memorable weekend. (AP)

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LeBron James is defended by Chicago's Joakim Noah during the final seconds of the Bulls' 87-86 win over the Heat on Sunday.

Bulls Keep the Heat Cool

Rose leads Chicago's rally to hand Miami a fourth-straight loss

Pro Basketball

Derrick Rose scored 27 points, Luol Deng capped an 18-point effort with two free throws that put Chicago ahead for good, and the Bulls beat Miami 87-86 on Sunday to hand the Heat its fourth-straight loss.

Carlos Boozer scored 12 and Joakim Noah added 11 for the Bulls, who moved a game ahead of Miami into outright possession of second place in the Eastern Conference and beat the Heat for the third time this season.

LeBron James scored 26 points, Chris Bosh added 23, and Dwyane Wade had 20 for the Heat. James and Wade both missed shots that would have won it for Miami in the final eight seconds.

It was the fourth time since Feb. 24 that Miami held a double-digit lead and ultimately lost. The Heat led by as many as 12 on Sunday. Of late, though, nothing comes easily for Miami.

With Chicago down by two, Deng made one free throw, missing the second. Noah got a hand on the ball, keeping James and Erick Dampier from grabbing it cleanly, and in the chase for the loose ball, referee Tony Brothers called a foul on Miller for pushing Deng in the back. "Looked like he got tripped

on his own," Bosh said.

Deng went back to the line and made both this time, and Chicago was up 87-86 with 15.9 seconds remaining.

So once again, Miami found itself in the situation where it has struggled mightily this season, needing a field goal in the final minute to decide a game.

The ball went to James, who drove on Noah and missed a layup from the left block. Wade got the rebound and tried a 15-footer from the baseline that bounced away, and time expired as the Bulls leaped in celebration and Bulls coach Tom Thibodeau punched the air.

"One of these days, we will break through," Miami coach Erik Spoelstra said. **TIM REYNOLDS (AP)**

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Chelsea visits Blackpool in the Premier League.

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The number of times in the past eight seasons that the Maryland Terrapins have finished below .500 in ACC play. The Terrapins lost their third-straight game when hosting Virginia in Saturday's season finale, finishing 7-9 in the league. (EXPRESS)

Player Mourned in Tourney Loss

Women's College Hoops

Middle Tennessee returned to the court Sunday for the first time since the stabbing death of teammate Tina Stewart, losing 77-62 to Arkansas State in the Sun Belt Conference tournament quarterfinals.

With reminders of Stewart all around, the Blue Raiders sat on the bench, heads down and arms locked during a pregame moment of silence. Stewart's home uniform was draped over an empty chair on

the sideline, and her blue No. 20 road uniform hung in the team's locker room.

Middle Tennessee was clearly off when the game started, making just five of its first 22 shots. The fourth-seeded Red Wolves (18-13) opened on a 15-5 run and never trailed.

Stewart, 21, of Memphis, was stabbed to death Wednesday night, and her 18-year-old roommate, Shanterica Madden, has been charged with first-degree murder. (AP)

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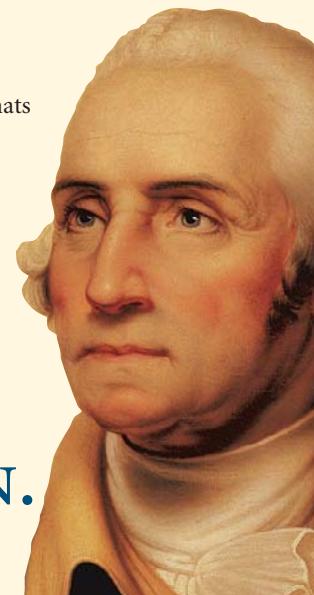
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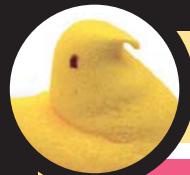
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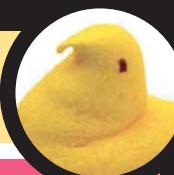
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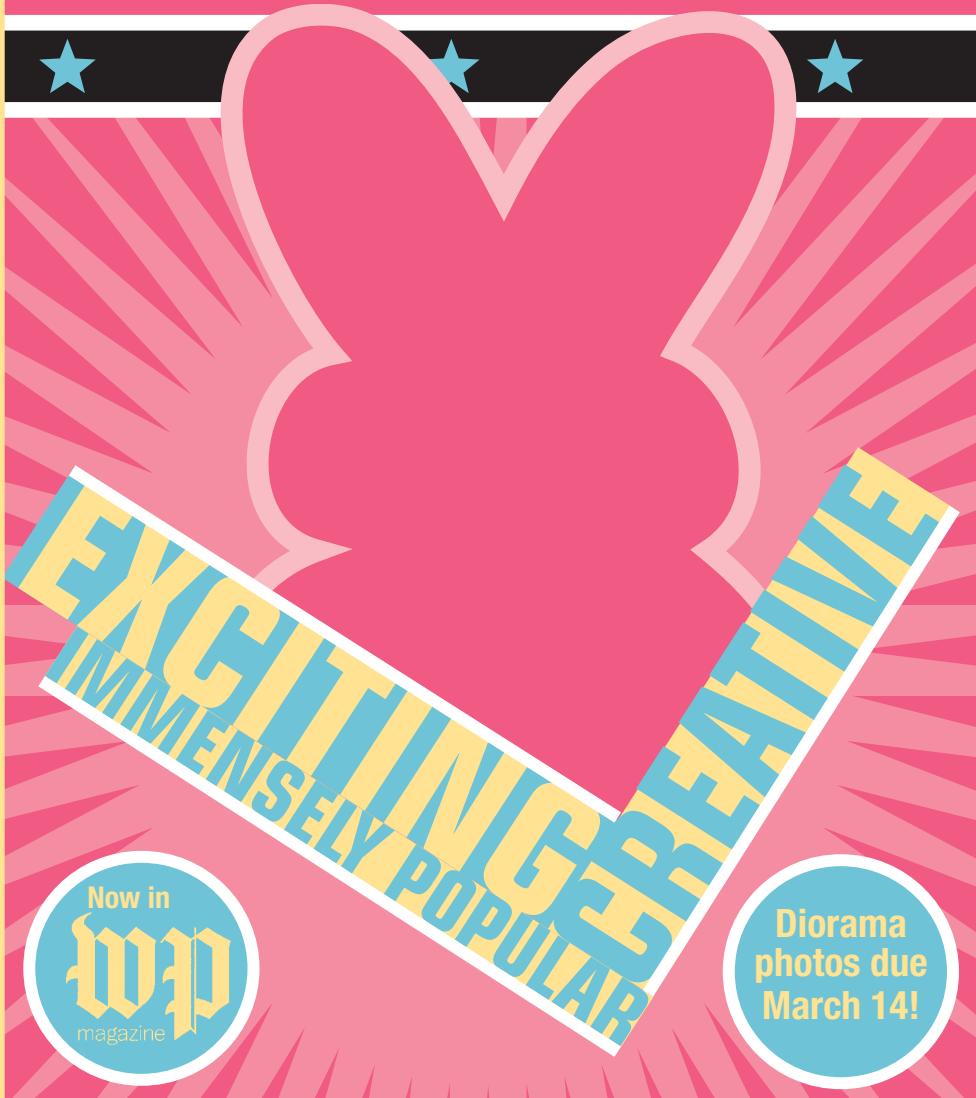




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Bottom Line Not the Bottom Line in Talks

Season expansion, player safety are key issues in NFL dispute

Pro Football

With five more days and nights — at least — to reach an agreement, the NFL and the players' union might find money off the top is not the bottom line.

The owners' request that about \$2 billion of total revenues be deducted before they split the rest with the players has been a sticking point ever since 2008. That's when the owners opted out of the current collec-

tive bargaining agreement, which would have expired last Thursday if not for two extensions.

The deadline now is at the end of Friday, and a compromise on that figure — the owners already deduct about \$1 billion for operating expenses from the \$9 billion overall take — might be easier than reaching accord on expanding the regular season to 18 games or several other issues.

"We have made player safety our biggest concern, and we won't back off on that," said Tennessee Titans guard and player representative Jake Scott.

The union is adamant, with so

many injuries in a 16-game schedule — particularly brain trauma and major injuries that can have long-term effects — increasing the length of the regular season is not an option. The owners are just as adamant that the extra revenue 18 games would bring from league media partners and sponsors is necessary to keep the assets growing.

Commissioner Roger Goodell insists the preseason matches don't feature the quality fans deserve, so switching two of them for games that count is preferable.

For the players to agree on 18 games, they would want substantial reductions in offseason workouts,



NFLPA chief DeMaurice Smith enters last Friday's labor talks in Washington.

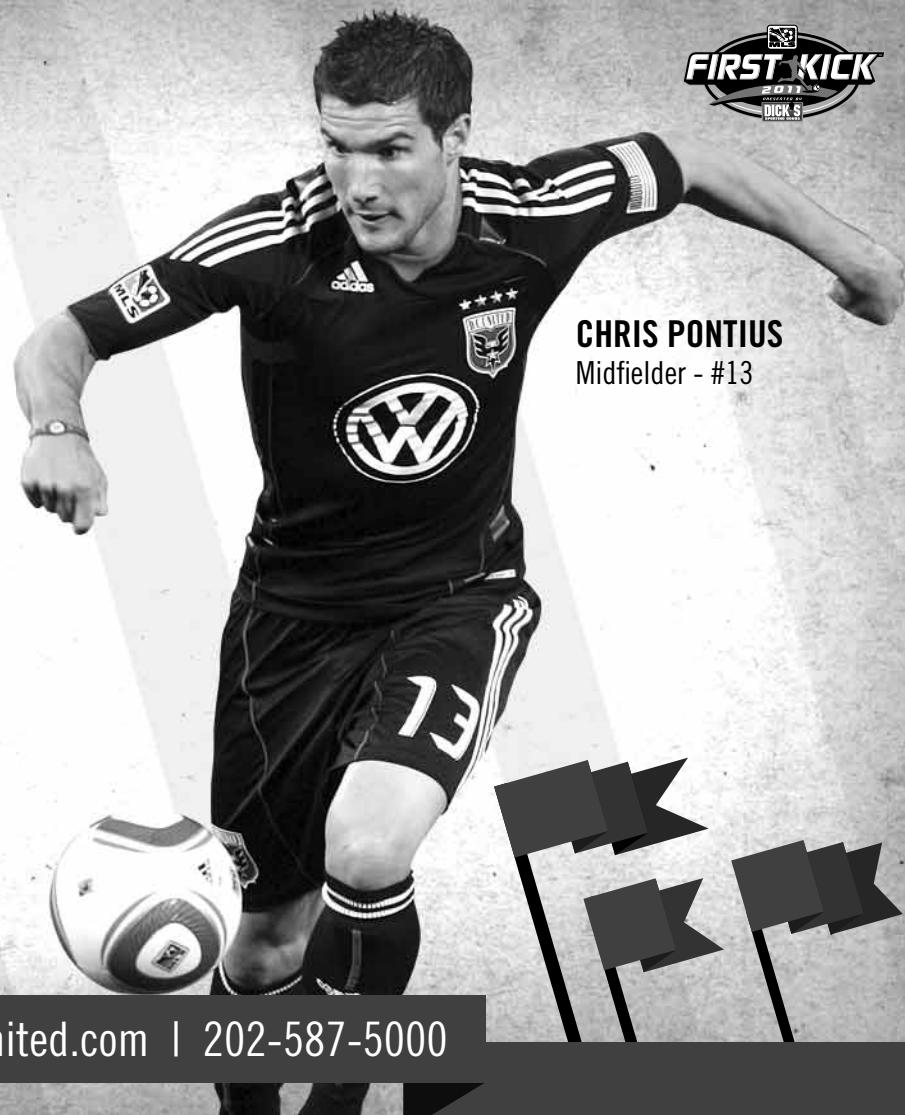
minicamps, and training camp. If they get that — and if NFLPA executive director DeMaurice Smith can coax, say, five extra roster spots per team (160 more jobs) — perhaps the league and union can find common ground in this area, too.

"To me, I feel like we were so far apart," Vikings defensive end Brian Robison said. "But they're trying to keep it out of the courts, which tells me that we're starting to agree on some things. I'm not saying that deal is going to be done real soon, but it's good to see that the guys on both sides are staying in the meeting room and making some progress."

BARRY WILNER (AP)



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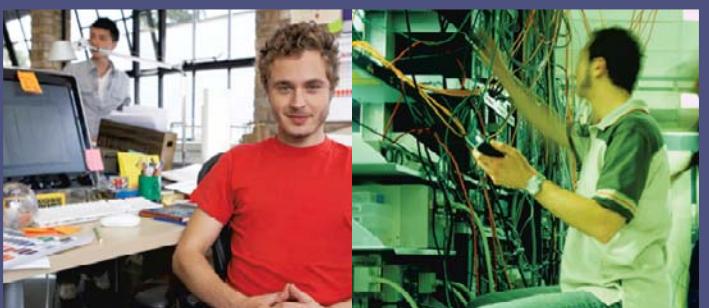
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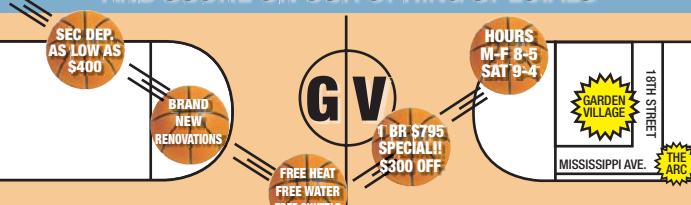
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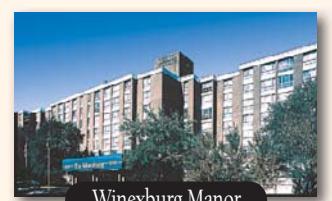
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One half of country duo Brooks & Dunn steps out on his own

Crossovers

It turns out Kix Brooks is a bit of a renaissance man.

Six months after his split from Ronnie Dunn, ending the 20-year run of country music's best-selling

duo, Brooks & Dunn, Brooks is branching out in new directions.

Already a radio host, accomplished songwriter and professional vintner, Brooks is trying out the acting biz. He recently wrapped a small part in the upcoming movie "Thriftstore Cowboy" and has accepted a leading role in another, "The Last Ride," which will be shot in May in Arizona.

Brooks describes "Thriftstore Cowboy" as a "kind of a modern-age urban cowboy sort of scenario."

"I guess I didn't screw it up too bad, or they wouldn't have offered me the role" in "The Last Ride," he said.

Brooks admitted he was leery of taking on a leading role with so little experience in acting, but he liked the story. It's the tale of a lawman duped into helping with

a deadly bank robbery that sends him to jail. It's set in the 1940s and is told in flashbacks that won't require Brooks to turn in his trademark cowboy hat.

"It's really fun," Brooks said. "You kidding? Every kid wants to play cowboy."

A lot of kids want to play guitar, too, and Brooks has been doing plenty of that lately as well.

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He's been taking his radio show, "American Country Countdown," on the road and has hosted a handful of "radio appreciation" concerts with young, up-and-coming acts such as Luke Bryan, Randy Houser and Lee Brice.

And, like Dunn, he's been writing songs for a new album that will be released on a Sony imprint.

"I'm probably halfway done with it," Brooks said. "I'm writing a lot of songs. ... I'm not in a hurry, and I'm not saying when it's going to come out, because when it's done and I'm proud of it, it will come out." **CHRIS TALBOTT (AP)**

For Rock, Broadway Beckons

Personalities

How do you top a winter in which you've made fun of Oprah Winfrey to her face; gleefully butchered a classic Simon and Garfunkel



song during a telethon; and made a guest appearance on Kanye West's CD?

If you're Chris Rock, the next stop is Broadway.

"I always look for everything," says the comedian, before rehearsals of his new gritty play by Stephen Adly Guirgis.

"You want to give your audience something funny or something good — that can be anything. It can be a play; it can be a movie," he says.

The answer now is "The Motherr---- With the Hat." It's about a man on parole trying to live clean with his volatile girlfriend, who is far from sober. Rock, 46, making his Broadway debut, plays the man's drug counselor.

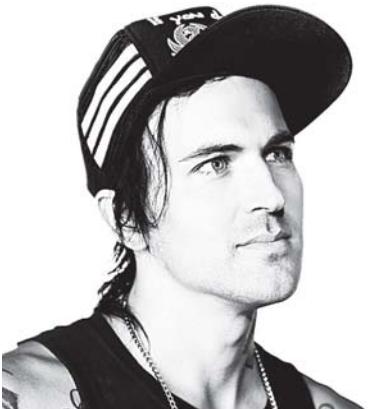
"Honestly, it was the best thing I read all last year. It was better than every movie script, every book," he says. **MARK KENNEDY (AP)**



Professional Networking: After teaming up for "The Social Network," Kevin Spacey, left, and David Fincher will join forces again to shoot a TV pilot for "House of Cards." The hour-long drama, based on the book and British miniseries of the same name, will star Spacey, who's also on board as an executive producer. Fincher will direct the pilot and serve as executive producer. No network is currently attached. **(THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER)**

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1 Bust a Rhyme

We thought we'd had our fill of white rappers after being forced to watch "8 Mile" TWICE, but then Yelawolf came along with his unmissable rhythms, machine-gun delivery and Southern-inflected diction. Yelawolf, left, is still figuring himself out — it's not easy to meld Alabama, hip-hop and Bob Dylan — but it's exciting to watch while he does. **Rock and Roll Hotel, 1353 H St. NE; 9 p.m., \$15; 202-388-7625, Rockandrollhoteldc.com.**

2 Mystic Chords

The band Titus Andronicus combines all of our favorite things. Shakespeare references! Punk music! An entire concept album devoted to the Civil War-era ironclad ship the Monitor! We might be nerds. The group opens for the Pogues at three D.C.-area shows — but act fast, because Tuesday's show has sold out already. The Pogues clearly influence Titus Andronicus, so it'll be exciting to see the two play together. **Rams Head, 20 Market Place, Baltimore; 7 p.m., \$55; 410-244-1131, Ramsheadlive.com. 9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; Tue. and Wed., 7 p.m., \$55; 202-265-0930, 930.com. (U St.-Cardozo)**

3 Got Milk?

We're not sure what "stonehenge punk" means — Druids with guitars? Music that secretly presages the end of the world? — but we can still adore the screamy music of Heavy Cream, left, a Nashville band that looks too clean-cut to play the kind of hardcore yet catchy rock it's become known for. **Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; 8:30 p.m., \$10; 202-667-4490, Blackcatdc.com. (U St.-Cardozo)**

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— GABRIEL BA, "DAYTRIPPER" AUTHOR

at the end of each tale. The trade edition, which retails for \$19.99, was released last month by D.C.'s Vertigo imprint, and immediately shot to the top of the New York Times Paperback Graphic Books list before slipping. On Friday, it regained the No. 1 spot.

But Domingos' death is what makes his life — told in 10 vari-

Hang at Hogwarts: "Harry Potter" fans will get the chance to witness the magic behind the movies in spring 2012, when Warner Bros. opens its U.K.-based Leavesden facility to the public. The Warner Bros. Studio Tour London: The Making of "Harry Potter" will include a walking tour of the sets where all eight of the films were shot. (THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER)



TV tonight lookout

Best Bets

NBC
8:00

The Event The much-hyped yet ratings-challenged drama gets a two-hour midseason relaunch as the intelligence community tries to decrypt Thomas' message as he launches a surprise attack. A politician (guest star Virginia Madsen) threatens to reveal information about the Mount Inostranka detention center on TV.

FOX
8:00

House House is distracted by concern for Cuddy's well-being after she receives sobering news that forces her to re-evaluate her priorities. A teenage patient's suspicious body scars suggest his illness is more than just physical in the new episode "Bombshells," which features dream sequences in the style of iconic film and TV genres.

CW
9:00

Gossip Girl One of Bart Bass' former associates (Michael Boatman) and his daughter Raina (Tika Sumpter, pictured left, with Chace Crawford) return to Manhattan. Chuck and Serena team up against Lily (Kelly Rutherford). (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



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LIFETIME
9:00

Heather Locklear (above, with Max Martini) returns to prime time in a made-for-cable headscratcher. It's difficult to describe "He Loves Me" without giving away key plot points. Suffice it to say that when it begins, Laura (Locklear) is seen having rather risky "relations" with Sam (Martini) aboard a ferry. We soon learn that Sam is not her husband.

KEVIN McDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Farewells



Graduation Day

The college comedy "Greek" (9 p.m., Fam) ends its four-year run as Casey (Spencer Grammer, pictured) and Evan take on their first big case, only to discover a secret that could take down Cappie and Rusty's fraternity forever. (TM)

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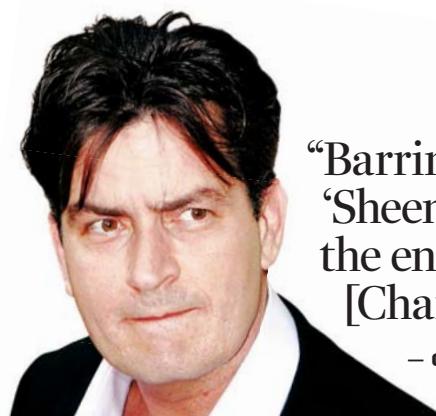
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) This is a good day for reflection—but remember there are certain practical considerations you must address, too.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Step back and take in as much of the big picture as possible. Later, you'll have the chance to focus on all the tiny details.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) What you do can win you a great deal of admiration from those on your side; your critics will have to admit you have a way about you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You can tell the difference between black, white and shades of gray. There is no place for generalizations of any kind at this time.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Others are waiting for you to come through, and you should be able to impress them—and yourself—when all is said and done.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Consistency is the key to your effectiveness, and yet you must also know when it is advisable to do something that is not expected.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You cannot have things all one way or all another; you can bet that how you see the world will affect those around you quite dramatically.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You may call the shots, but someone else may have the responsibility for the success of an experimental operation. Have fun.

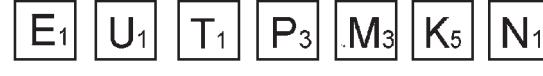
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You can fuel the fires of emotion simply by remaining true to yourself, especially when engaged in significant conversation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You cannot expect everyone to appreciate the subtleties of the world the way you do—or at least the way you think you do.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Others are talking about you, but that is nothing new. You can enjoy a new kind of celebrity by day's end.

Scrabble Grams

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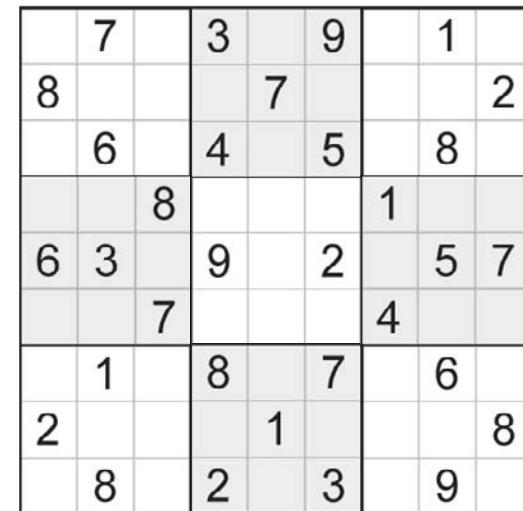
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S ₁	P ₃	A ₁	R ₁	R ₁	O ₁	W ₄	RACK 3 = 86
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9	1	5	2	3	8	4	7	6
6	7	3	4	9	5	1	8	2
7	3	9	8	6	4	5	2	1
2	6	1	3	5	9	7	4	8
8	5	4	7	2	1	6	9	3
1	2	6	9	7	3	8	5	4
3	4	7	5	8	6	2	1	9
5	9	8	1	4	2	3	6	7

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53 | 32

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51 | 35

Tomorrow: Partly sunny tomorrow. Clouds breaking tomorrow night.



Looking Ahead



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THU



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55 | 40 55 | 43 49 | 39

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today: 6:33 a.m.
Sunset today: 6:07 p.m.
Moonrise today: 7:24 a.m.
Moonset today: 9:04 p.m.

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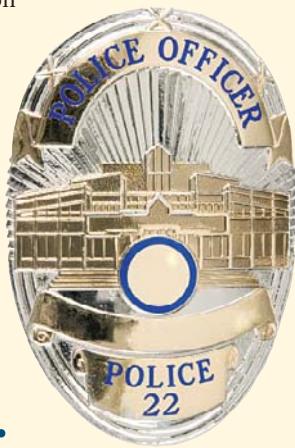
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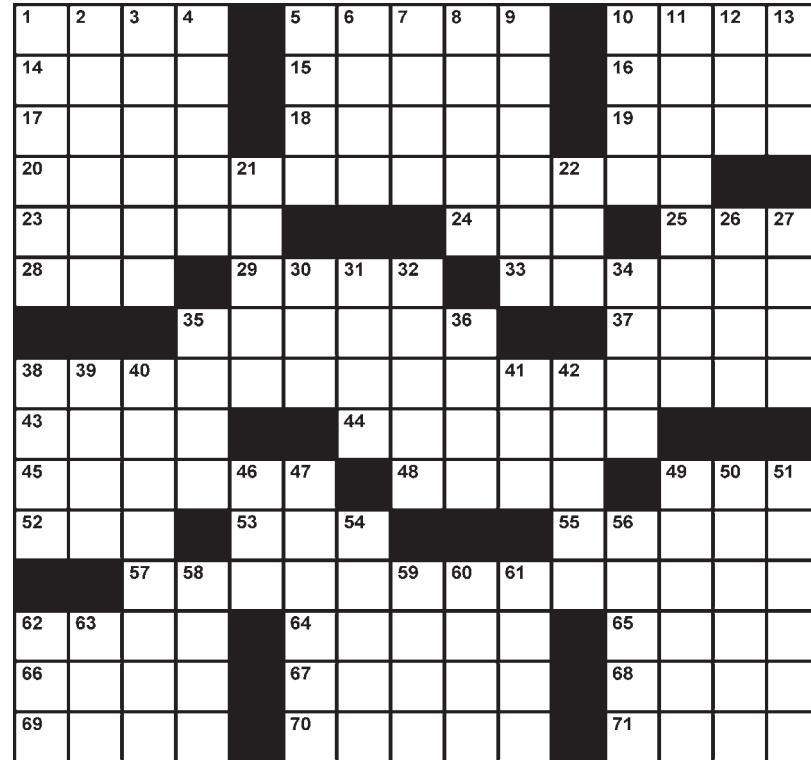
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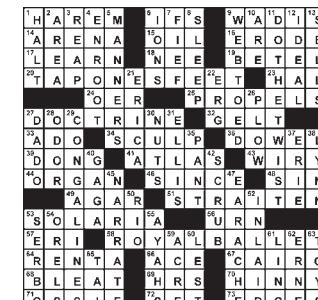
- 1 Title for Helen Mirren
- 5 From the bargain basement
- 10 Artistic work
- 14 Cruising the Pacific
- 15 Tureen accessory
- 16 Wheelchair-accessible route
- 17 Hydrotherapy sites
- 18 It may be aimed at a pail
- 19 See from afar
- 20 Win big on a slot machine
- 23 Blank tapes?
- 24 Seek damages
- 25 Arrange fraudulently
- 28 Word next to M or F
- 29 Gets on in years
- 33 Roof of the mouth
- 35 Wire-and-plaster wall covering
- 37 Bit of foreshadowing
- 38 Becomes a true star
- 43 Highlight for a cantatrice
- 44 Burger toppings, sometimes
- 45 Soup legume
- 48 Sicilian erupter
- 49 Take to the slopes
- 52 Young boy
- 53 Au naturel (with "in the")
- 55 Carried with difficulty
- 57 Attain an objective
- 62 Enjoy bubble gum
- 64 A nation divided?
- 65 Tedious way to learn
- 66 Fair attraction
- 67 Bumper sticker word
- 68 Bigheads have big ones
- 69 "Evil empire" of the '80s
- 70 Classy things?
- 71 Commissioned to go



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- 5 Board game that became a movie
- 34 Development sites
- 35 Pants part
- 36 Words in passing?
- 38 Galleria
- 39 Zone
- 40 Groups of relatives
- 41 Lithium-____ battery
- 42 Little bugs
- 43 Nest egg initials
- 44 Larry Fine, for one
- 45 Buster of classic silent comedies
- 46 Most like a couch potato
- 47 Didn't have
- 48 Agar
- 49 Sincere
- 50 Sine
- 51 Sincere
- 52 Solaria
- 53 Strain
- 54 Urn
- 55 Organ
- 56 Renta
- 57 Eri
- 58 Roy
- 59 Bleat
- 60 Ball
- 61 Let
- 62 Rent
- 63 Ace
- 64 Cairo
- 65 Hinn
- 66 Sossie
- 67 Set
- 68 Edges
- 69
- 70
- 71

- 59 Assayer's samples
- 60 A winning margin
- 61 Breaks a fast
- 62 French wine classification
- 63 Word on a towel, sometimes

Friday's Solution**Today in History****1876**

Alexander Graham Bell receives a patent for his telephone.

1965

A civil rights demonstration march is broken up in Selma, Ala., by state troopers and a sheriff's posse.

1975

The U.S. Senate revises its filibuster rule, letting 60 senators limit debate in most cases, instead of the previously required two-thirds present.

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GUESS THE BLONDE**Which Is Crystal? We Won't Tell and Don't Know Anyway.**

Hugh Hefner's fiancee, Crystal Harris, is releasing a single in June, right before their wedding, TMZ.com reported. Vocal coach Seth Riggs — notable for his work with Madonna, Stevie Wonder and Diana Ross — will be helping Harris perfect her work on "Club Queen." According to Crystalharris.com, "It's officially in the @Universal_music system, iTunes release date: 6/14." (EXPRESS)

EXPOSURE**'Mean Girls' It's Not, but at Least She's on Screen Again**

The store from which Lindsay Lohan is alleged to have stolen a necklace has sold surveillance footage of the incident for about \$35,000, Radaronline.com reported. It will air on "Entertainment Tonight" Monday, and, at some point, will stream at Necklacevideo.com. A spokesman for Kamofie & Co. confirmed the sale. (EXPRESS)



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"The tapes speak for themselves," Necklacevideo.com says smugly.

Victims

It's TIGER'S Blood, Idiot. Get It Right!

David Arquette's car hit another vehicle in Beverly Hills, Calif., Friday, but the actor was not seriously hurt. "I have dragon's blood running through my veins," he tweeted in an apparent Charlie Sheen reference. (AP)



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In real news, Kate and Wills commemorative figurines are now available.

CAUTIOUS EXCITEMENT**OMG!!!!, Tentatively**

Two leading British newspapers reported Sunday that Sarah Burton, creative director of the Alexander McQueen fashion house, has been chosen to design Kate Middleton's wedding gown. Though both Burton and the company denied the rumors, sources in the British fashion world say that whoever lands the plum job will be bound by an agreement to not tell the media. (AP)

HERETOFORE UNSEEN COMBOS**This Bizarre Juxtaposition Brought to You by S. Penn**

Sean Penn thanked Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez Saturday for supporting the actor's relief organization in Haiti. On Friday, Penn praised Charlie Sheen's interest in Haiti. "Charlie is one of the very few public people who cannot be accused of using the media to his own benefit," he said. (AP)

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